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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In an attempt to fully comply with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, applicant wishes to bring to the attention of the U.S. Patent Office the following references, which were found during the prosecution of a co-pending Chinese patent application:

CN 1354605

See family US 7,082,163 and US 2002/0085636 for English translations;

CN 1243636

See family US 6,963,606 for English translation;

CN 1088041

See family US 5,500,677 for English translation;

CN 1143885

See family US 5,742,342 for English translation;

CN 1158058

See EP 0777387 for English translation;

"General Image Compression Coding Principle of MPEG-2"; 9-1997; Pages 13-15; ©China Academic Journal Electronic Publishing House 1994-2006; with English translation.

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A copy of the foreign references, non-patent literature and form PTO-A820 are attached.

The undersigned attorney hereby certifies that each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing the information disclosure statement.

If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would help further the prosecution of this case, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the listed telephone number.

Very truly yours,

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